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PRICE, \$24 PER ANNUM.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day ESTABLISHED myself as MERCHANT and GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT, under the Style of HERBERT DENT & Co.

HERBERT F. DENT.

Canton, September 1, 1881.

NOTICE.

M R. F. D. BUSH is hereby authorized to Sign our Firm per Procuration.

RUSSELL & Co.

China, September 22, 1881.

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Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

T HE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY,

the 18th October, 1881, at 2 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road.

A Invoice of

JAPANESE, KANGA, IMMARI

AND AVITA WARE,

comprising—

TEA and BREAKFAST SETS, OUNS and

SAUCERS, CARD DISHES, PLATES, VASES,

BOWLS, BRONZES, YETI CANTINGS, BRONZE

AND IVORY STUDS, SOLITAIRE, BARRENS,

AND BRACELETS; CURIOS, ORNAMENTS,

ETC., ETC., ETC.

TERMS OF SALE—As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, October 15, 1881.

PUBLIC AUCTION

OF ENGLISH, AMERICAN & CANTON-MADE

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

T HE Undersigned has received instructions to Sale by Public Auction, on

THURSDAY,

the 20th October, 1881, at 2 p.m., at No. 2, Gage Street,—

The whole of the

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

comprising—

ENGLISH-MADE WALNUTWOOD DRAWING-

ROOM SUITE, PLUSH-COVERED; COTTAGE

PIANO, by BECHSTEIN, full 7 OCTAVES, made

expressly for this climate; BLACKWOOD-

CARVED and JAPANESE TABLES, VASES,

ORNAMENTS, CHROMOS, ENGRAVINGS,

MADE WALNUTWOOD HANGING ETAGERES,

WITH PLATE-GLASS BACK; MIRRORS, GILT

BRACKET MIRRORS, FENDER and LEONS,

LACE CURTAINS and POLES and CORNICES,

MAROQUARY EXTENSION DINING TABLE,

ENGLISH-MADE; TEAKWOOD SIDEBOARD

and WHATNOTS; GLASS, PLATED and CROCK-

ERY WARE; CARPETS and HEATH RUGS,

CRETONNE-COVERED BED-ROOM SUITES,

COUCHES, EASY CHAIRS, LOUNGES, AMERI-

CAN-MADE BLACK WALNUTWOOD BEDSTEADS,

SPRING and HAIR MATRASSES, MAR-

EDOT WASHING STAND, LADY'S MAROQUARY

WARDROBE, WITH PLATE-GLASS DOORS, DA-

VENPORT, BLACKWOOD MARBLE-TOP DRESS-

ING TABLE, TOILET TABLES, CHELSEA GLASS

ETC., ETC.

G. R. LAMMERT,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, October 15, 1881.

PUBLIC AUCTION

OF JAPANESE WARE.

T HE Undersigned has received instructions to Sale by Public Auction, on

FRIDAY,

the 21st October, 1881, at 2 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Pedder's Wharf,—

A Selection of

JAPANESE WARE.

Purchased and Selected at the Great Exhi-

bition held at UZURO, TOKIO, this year,

consisting of—

SHIZUOKA WICKERWARE, KAGA

KUTANI, SATTAWA, AICHI, KEN, OWARE,

OKAYAMA, MIYE, KEN, ENAMEL and BAM-

BOO WARE, &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued, previous to

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FOR SALE

OF LADIES' DRESSES.

LADIES' COSTUMES, ready-made, for

VARIOUS KINDS of MATERIALS for

LADIES' DRESSES.

An Assortment of FLOWERS for LADIES'

BONNETS and HATS.

Black and Brown VELVETEENS

&c., &c.

N. M. KHANIMA,

Pat Street.

Hongkong, October 6, 1881.

EX-LATE ARRIVALS.

LADIES' DRESSES, complete, but un-

worn.

LADIES' COSTUMES, ready-made,

for VARIOUS KINDS of MATERIALS for

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FOR SALE

ABOUT 8,000 lbs. MILLER & RICHARD'S

Extra Large Metal BOURGEOIS

TYPE, No. 18 (somewhat worn but in

fairly good condition).

Apply to

OFFICES OF THIS FIRM.

Hongkong, July 22, 1881.

For Sale.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

H AVE RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING NEW GOODS—FRESH HOUSEHOLD STORES and GROCERIES from CHASSE & BLACKWELL, and J. MOHL & SONS. HUNTING & PALMER'S BISCUITS and AMERICAN CRACKNELS. FRENCH JAM and IRISH BUTTER; AMERICAN CORNSTARCH and CORNMEAL; TINNED FRUITS, FISH, HONEY, &c.

WINES, SPIRITS, &c.

CLARETS—MENOC (our own Bottling, 83.50 per dozen), ST. EMILLION, HAUT TALENCE, &c.

SAUCES—KOHRS' KOMPAGNE—KOHNSTAMM, CHAMPAGNE.

ROSES—PORTS, HUNTS, and OUR OWN "R." LIQUEURS—CHARTREUSE, MARASCHINO, NOZUAU, and CURACAO.

WHISKIES—BULLDOGS—LADIES, KINAI, BRANDY—SCHAFFHAUSEN, EXSHAW'S, HENNESSY, &c., &c., &c.

BASS' ALE and GUINNESS' STOUT.

FELT HATS & TRAVELLING CAPS. SPECIAL New Self-closing UMBRELLAS.

SPORTING GUNS and REVOLVERS. SPORTING GEAR, &c.

FOOT BALLS, RUGBY and ASSOCIATION, CRICKET BATS, BALLS, STUMPS,

RAQUET and LAWN TENNIS BATS and BALLS.

BILLIARD CUES, and BALLS (THURSTON').

LOUNGE CHAIRS and HAMMOCKS. COFFEE GOLDEN CLOUD, SMOKING MIXTURE, and BIRDSEYE.

PACIFICO GOLD BLOCKS.

For Sale.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.
HAVE RECEIVED FOR SALE,
Ex French Mail Steamer.

FINEST ISIGNY BUTTER
NOILLY PRATT'S VERMOUTH.
Ex S. S. "Gloucester."
WEBB & SONS' BREECH-LOADING GUNS—
CENTRAL FIRE.

Ex S. S. "Ulysses."
FINE NEW SEASON'S CUMSHAW TEA, in
5 and 10 catty Boxes.
BREAKFAST CONGOU @ 25 cents p. lb.

Ex Highlander.
AT WHOLESALE PRICES:
200 kgs Fine American FURNISHING
NAILS, Nos. 3 to 12.
25 " American SPIKES, 4 inches to
7 inches.

50 barrels Prime American MESS PORK.
60 " Philadelphia Extra BEEF.
200 " Finest Strained ROSIN.
300 " CITY PITCH.
150 cases SPIRITS OF TURPENTINE.
100 barrels Dried APPLES.
500 cases FLORIDA WATER.
50 barrels AMERICAN TAR.
15 " LAMP BLACK.
50 cases American CLOCKS.

COTTON DUCK, Canned BEEF, MUTTON,
OYSTERS, LOBSTERS, CORN,
TOMATOES, Corned BEEF, HAMS,
MILK, Tomato CATSUP, HANDSPIKES,
OAKUM, ASH OARS; MAPLE, ASH,
and White Pine PLANKS.

Ex Abbie Carter.
Florence COOKING STOVES,
STEAMERS and BRAILERS.
CORN BROOMS.
India Rubber KNEE BOOTS.
AGATE WARE, in every variety of Kit-
chen Utensils.
Charter Oak COOKING STOVES.
Spaniard COOKING STOVES.
BOURBON WHISKY.

Ex Steamers via Suez Canal.
DOUGLAS' OFFICE CHAIRS.
MINTON & GARDNER & CO.'S PERFORATED
VENEER.
HIGH REVOLVING OFFICE CHAIRS.
HIGH-BACK OFFICE CHAIRS.
ROCKING FOLDING CHAIRS.
DINING-ROOM CHAIRS.
LADIES' ROCKING CHAIRS.

The above we can highly recommend for
office and domestic use, being admirably
adapted to this climate.

Ex "Gleniffer."
CROUSE & BLACKWELL'S AND OTHER
HOUSE HOLD STORES.

TYSONNEAU'S DESSERT FRUITS.
SAVOURY PATE.
GAME PATE.
POKE PATE.
OX PALATES.
HUNG (Haubro) BEEF.

HUNTEY & PAJANOFF'S BISCUITS.
FRUITS for Ice.

SHERBERT
COCOATINA
VAN HOUTEN'S COCOA.
EATON'S COCOA.
ROBINSON'S GROCERIES.
GELATINE.

Russia OX-TONGUES.
French PLUMS.
PATTE DE FOIE GRAS.
SARDINES.
ANCHovies.

BREAKFAST BACON.
ASPARAGUS.
MACCARONI.
VERMICELLI.
SAUSAGES.
MEATS.
SOUPS, &c., &
COPYING PRESSES.

EX AMERICAN MAIL.
Eastern and California CHEESE.
Bonne's CODFISH.
Prime HAMS and BACON.
Russian CAVIARE.
Eagle Brand Condensed MILK.
PEACH, and APRICOT BUTTER.
Pickled OX-TONGUE.

Family PIG-TONGUE in legs and pieces.
Paragon MACKEREL in 5 lb cans.
Beef Tendon SALMON in 5 lb cans.
Cutting's Desert EBUTS in 24 lb cans.
Assorted Canned VEGETABLES.
Potted SAUSAGE and Sauusage
MEAT.

Stuffed PEPPERS.
Assorted PICKLES.
MINCEMEAT.

COME HONEY in Original Frames.
Richardson & Robbin's Celebrated Potted
MEATS.

Richardson & Robbin's Curried OYSTERS.
LUNCH TONGUE.
Assorted American SYRUPS, for Sum-
mer Drinks.

McCarty's Sugar LEMONADE.
Clam CHOWDER.
Codfish BALLS.

Green TURTLE in 2½ lb cans.

CALIFORNIA RACKER
COMPANY'S BISCUITS in 5 lb
tins, and loose.
Alphabetical BIS-
CUITS.

Fancy Sweet Mixed
BISCUITS.
Ginger CAKES.
Soda BISCUITS.
Oyster BISCUITS.

Cracked WHEAT.
OATMEAL.
HOMINY.
ORNIMENTAL
BUCKWHEAT FLOUR.
EYE MEAL.

SPECIALLY SELECTED
CIGARS.

WINES, SPIRITS, BEER AND
AERATED WATERS.

SHIPCHANDLERY of every Description.
RIGGING and SAIL-MAKING promptly
executed.

Hongkong, September 24, 1881.

Mails.

NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
POINT DE GALLE, COLOMBO, PORT
ADEN, SUZU, ISMAILIA, PORT
SAID, SIRIAN PORTS, NAPLES,
MARSELLES, PORTS OF BRAZIL
AND LA PLATA;

ALSO,
BOMBAY, MAHE, ST. DENIS, AND
PORT LOUIS.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR HOIHOW AND PAKHOI.

The Steamship
"Ping-ou,"

Capt. McCANN, will be

despatched for the above

Ports TO-MORROW, the 18th Instant, at

Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, October 17, 1881.

on the 17th, and arrived Hongkong 16th instant. Experienced light S.E. trades and the weather on Australian Coast to Port Doreen, with gales winds with equally weather among the Islands in China. Sea light S.W. and east winds with heavy N.W. swell on 14th and 15th.

The British barque *Souvenir* reports: Encountered Typhoon in lat. 21 11° 30' E. (also Hurricane off Gulf of Tong Kong). Bound to Chefoo, put back for repairs, loss of long boat, 1 seaman, bulwarks and sails.

The British steamer *Oakdale* reports: Very severe typhoon on 13th and 14th inst. saw a great number of junks dismasted outside.

The British steamer *Peking* reports: Left Shanghai at 2 p.m. on the 13th inst., and arrived in Hongkong at 7 p.m. on the 16th; from Shanghai to Ilih Misian Island had strong southerly winds, and heavy rain and thunder and lightning, with heavy southerly seas; from thence to Chapel Island had fresh N.E. winds and cloudy. From thence to Hongkong had fresh S.W. winds and high southerly sea. Passed several dismasted junks between Breaker Point and Hongkong, and large quantities of wreckage floating about.

The British steamer *Mendles* reports: Oct. 9th, left Singapore; on the 13th, hard gale with squalls from N.W.; heavy easterly swell on the 14th; at 6 a.m., wind shifted west, and blinding rain and continued until noon; wind then shifted gradually round to South and abated; high sea running throughout. Passed the wrecks of three junks, and two dismasted, one in tow of another junk, and one at anchor.

The H. M. Surveying-vessel *Magpie* reports: Called at Tikon, Penang, Hailiang, and Namo Harbour. At 10 p.m. on the 13th inst., wind N. by W., Bar. 29.82, falling. At 11.30 p.m. sighted the Ladron Islands, wind increasing and backing, stood to the Eastward. At 12.30 p.m. sighted the 14th lowest Bar. 29.284, West and blowing hard. At 2 a.m. Bar. 29.332, and rising hard. At 4 a.m. Bar. 29.332, and rising hard. At 6 a.m. Bar. 29.332.

The British steamer *Ganton* reports: Oct. 16, *Catterdown*, British steamer, 2167, Miller, Sydney Sept. 20, Townsville 26, Cooktown 27, Thursday Island 29, and Port Darwin Oct. 3, General—Grim, Livingston & Co.

Oct. 16, *Leviathan*, British barque, 482, Carpenter, R.N., Holow Oct. 7.

Oct. 16, *Chau-yung*, Chinese gunboat, 1250, 8 guns, Lin, Singapore Oct. 10.

Oct. 15, *Yang-wei*, Chinese gunboat 1250, 8 guns, Johnston, Singapore Oct. 10.

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had drifted out of the reach of the lines at our disposal. Four boats refused our assistance, and they must have contained on board 10 persons in all. We saw 3 men, and a woman, and on other two boats 3 each; in these cases these persons must have been drowned. I believe a number of bodies must have gone down which have not yet been recovered. From enquires I have made, and from what I saw at the time, I do not believe that there have been any other cases of drowning at the particular part of the wharf I speak of, that is from the South pier, to the end of the village. Several junks were sunk at some distance from the pier. In the district of Yan-mah-ti alone I am of opinion, from the large number of junks and boats of various kinds, cargo boats and sampans, that were at anchor the evening before, a large quantity up, and the markedly diminished number of wrecks visible, that at Yan-mah-ti alone on 200 boats must have been broken up there. Three cargo boats were broken up with Chinese merchandise valued at \$39,000, and several steam launches, including Messrs MacEwen Frickel and Company's, and the two police launches. During the last five and a half years, I have been there, I never experienced such a gale.

Inspector Thomson said:—I have heard Inspector Cameron's evidence. On the morning of the 14th, and between noon and four o'clock that day, the storm was blowing with equal violence on the south side of Victoria Harbour. During this time I saw between 30 and 40 junks thrown up against that portion of the Praya Wall which extends from the P. & O. Wharf to the Sailor's Home. The usual typhoon gun was fired at 8 in the morning. It has always been the custom, so far as my experience goes, that the boats to then seek havens of safety; but on this occasion they did not do so for some reason which I cannot explain. On my inquiring at some of the boat-people they told me that the reported typhoon was not to come this way. When I went to the Praya I discovered that the Chinese craft had taken no notice whatever of the warning that had been given them, of an approaching typhoon, from the Harbour Master's office and other sources. On ordinary occasions when notice was taken by the native craft of the typhoon signal, this part of the harbour would be almost entirely deserted; it was a place fully open to the North-east wind. Upon going to the Praya, however, this time, I found that part of the harbour quite as crowded as it usually is. The wind blew in violent gusts from the north-east, and the consequence was that the junks began to drag from their moorings and the same kind of confusion ensued as that described by Mr. Cameron as having happened at Yan-mah-ti, but in no instance did they refuse assistance. I saw, while I was there, at least one hundred Chinese rescued from a position of great danger. Five men and seven women would have, without doubt, been drowned had not these efforts been made. These successful efforts to save life were made by the police, sailors, and civilians. Body No. 8 was picked up by a Chinese policeman, and No. 9 by a man who belonged to the Swatow junk, a man who the deceased belonged to. The Hon. Fuk. The latter boat was picked up off the P. & O. wharf, and was brought to the Station. Nos. 9 and 10 belonged to the same junk, and she foundered at her moorings at the P. & O. wharf. The storm was the severest I have known since the typhoon of 1874. The sea was very high, higher than I have seen it since that year. It was washing right over the Praya Wall into the shops on the Praya.

Inspector Swanston, Sau-ki-wan: I have heard the evidence given by Mr. Cameron and Mr. Thompson. The storm at Sau-ki-wan during the day time on the 14th was equally severe with that described by the last two witnesses. The only body I have recovered was taken from a direct junk that drifted on to the beach at Sau-ki-wan about 2 p.m. on the 14th. The body was dead when I found it and is No. 11 of 12 bodies on which that inept is being held. There were nine lost from a crew of ten, of whom deceased was one. I have any reason to believe that other lives besides those were lost at Sau-ki-wan harbour. I believe other bodies may yet be recovered. The boats in the harbour, which were not so numerous as usual, kept running foul of each other. One large junk, 400 or 500 piculs, capsized and foundered about 200 yards from the front of the Police Station. No one was seen on board. Boarded afterwards, and found no bodies or people on board. The wind calmed down considerably in the afternoon, and many of the junks, fancying that all was over, hauled up their anchors. At 8 p.m. a furious squall struck the harbour from the Southeast, and from the cries of save life and the noise that I heard and from the hauling up of the anchors I think more must have been lost at this time. No reports, however, have been made of the people missing, and no more bodies have been seen. The junks now in Sau-ki-wan are not Sau-ki-wan junks, and it is possible there may have been cases of drowning which have not been reported. On the morning of the 14th, I noticed a white flag with the characters on in Chinese "Prepare for typhoon," a signal well understood amongst the Chinese population at Sau-ki-wan. Some cleared; most did not. I believe a large number of lives were lost at sea; I do not believe now that many were lost in the harbour.

The case was further remanded till Thursday next, at 2.30 p.m., at the Magistracy.

THE STABBING CASE.

The case in which a seaman named John Parry was charged with stabbing a fellow-sailor of the name of Thomas Finlay, aged 28, a native of Arklow, Ireland, on board the Canadian barque *Helen Marion*, on the 13th inst., has now assumed a serious aspect. To-day (17th), the wounded man's deposition was taken by Dr. Stewart at the Government Civil Hospital, where he now lies. The Captain and a boy on board gave evidence, as the ship is ready to sail. Finlay is in a very weak state, and it was considered advisable under the circumstances to take the precaution of securing his deposition.

Thomas Finlay said he was an able seaman serving on board the Canadian barque *Helen Marion*. About dinner-time, on Thursday the 13th instant, he went into the forecastle, when Powers (a nickname for the defendant Parry) came in after him, and took a square-faced bottle of gin from his bunk. He held it in his hand for about a quarter of an hour and then broke it over witness's head. A portion of the broken glass remained in the prisoner's hand, and witness tried to take it from him; he, the prisoner, drew a death-knife from his belt and stabbed the witness in the right breast. There was no one else in the forecastle at the time. When he was stabbed, he ran out on deck and saw the Captain. Witness then fell and recited nothing further. On recovering consciousness, he found himself under treatment in the hospital. There was no drinking, as it was agreed between the two men. Parry

was sober at the time, and was talking to himself, but witness took no notice of what he said. He believed Powers wanted to stow away the bottle, and was waiting till witness left the forecastle. Witness was not sober at the time. After he had been struck with the bottle, he took it from Powers so as to prevent him repeating the blow. (There was a small wound on the head.)

No conversation took place between us at that time. The knife produced was the Kestrel.

Arthur Jones, second mate of the *Bolton Abbey*, said he had been 9 years at sea, and held a first mate's certificate. He rolled the first mate at four o'clock on the 30th. The ship was then going about 31 knots. The course was N.N.W., then she was kept on a little for a short time, and then the same course was resumed. The wind was about a point before the beam. When the helm was put down the ship would have come to the wind. Witness got on shore the first day after the vessel struck.

The sea drove the raft ashore. He had no doubt that the ship was perfectly safe.

John Lemberg, said he was an able seaman on board the *Bolton Abbey*. He had been at sea since 1875. He was on the look-out on the morning the ship struck the reef. When he relieved the previous look-out there was nothing in sight. The night was dark and rainy. When witness saw the breakers they were on the lee-side. He reported them to the second officer. About ten minutes intervened between the time the ship striking. Witness did not think there was anything peculiar in their not getting more sails and spars from the Tropic-light.

Henry Burnard said he was helmsman on board the ship. On the morning of the catastrophe he heard the look-out man calling for breakers. Witness told the Captain to turn the helm hard up. He got no other orders. Did not know how many points the ship fell off. At the time they spoke the *Tropic-light*, the crew were quite content. There were no complaints on board the ship.

John Myers, boatswain, said he felt quite satisfied when the *Tropic-light* passed as to the safety of the ship.

John Johnson, sailmaker, said he had no complaints to make against any body on board, and was quite satisfied when the *Tropic-light* passed.

The inquiry was adjourned till to-morrow, at 10.30 a.m.

Police Intelligence.
(Before Frederick Stewart, Esq.)

Monday, Oct. 17.

COMMITTEE.

—How Ayune was charged with the larceny of \$400 in bank notes and jewellery.

The evidence given by Sergt. Fisher was to the effect that defendant's house was searched and that he found there \$200 believed to be part of the plunder of a recent robbery. Certain circumstances, excited his suspicion, and he demanded the suspected person over to the female searcher who produced \$244 which had been concealed about the prisoner's person. The jewellery which it was alleged was taken from him was found on the roof of his house.

The case was committed for trial.

NORTH-CHINA INSURANCE CO.

(Translated from our Manila Exchanges.)

We learn that our Minister Plenipotentiary in China, D. Tiburcio Rodriguez, has been commissioned to hand the presents which our August Sovereign forwards to Bangkok, as well as the decorations including the Grand Cross of Military Merit for the First King, have been conferred by our Government on the various Dignitaries of that Court.

There were imported into these islands, during the months of August and September last, the sum of \$22,054 in Spanish silver coins and exported during the same period \$20,600 in Spanish gold coins, and also \$2,200 in gold bars.

The commerce of the 3rd October says—

"Another in the line.—There arrived to-day, from Amoy and Hongkong, the Linshane-steamer *Active*, which is dedicated to the line between Manila and China, in fortnightly trips. She had imposed upon the Directors a fine of \$10,000."

The Chairman remarked that from the balance sheet the claims paid up to the 30th June, on account of 1880, amounted to no less than Tls. 172,606.55, leaving a balance of Tls. 66,800.94. Since then, claims had been paid amounting to Tls. 11,304.72, leaving a balance of Tls. 55,496.22. The claims were certainly much larger than the Directors anticipated, but on one most important claim, arising out of a fire which occurred in the Docks in London, they hope to be able to establish a claim against the lightermen, and to recover some part of the loss sustained. The balance pending, they anticipated would prove considerable, and the balance now standing to the credit of the 1880 account would not be materially changed. They intended closing the account for 1880, they intended employing to the present year's account, and so far as possible, to make it available for the next year's account.

The business amounted to Tls. 508,631.15; this showed a falling-off of Tls. 38,000.00 compared with the corresponding half year, but he was happy to say the claims paid amounted to nearly Tls. 50,000, against claims of over Tls. 100,000 last year. Since the 30th June last, the claims paid and pending amounted as nearly as possible to Tls. 57,000, and so far as they know there were no serious casualties and no total losses beyond those accounted for. The business, so far as it had gone in the current year, was encouraging, thanks to the support met with from contributing shareholders. With regard to the premises occupied by the Company, they had nearly terminated, and they had ascertained from the agents of the proprietors that the property was for sale; under these circumstances they had deemed it expedient to secure that part of the property which had been in the occupation of the Company for about six years.

Mr. F. H. Bell asked to be informed of the cost of the property occupied by the Company.

The Chairman stated that they had

brought more property than was actually necessary, but had made arrangements with others who had taken these unnecessary portions of their hands. The cost of the property would appear in the half year's account. The portion now belonging to the Company stood at Tls. 45,000, which represents the Company's own moderate rental. The terms for the purchase of the property were arranged in May, and the transfer completed and paid for August.

The Report of the Directors and Accounts for the half-year ended 30th June, 1881, were passed.

The Directors were then empowered to close

the accounts for the year 1880, as soon as it

may be considered practicable, and to pay out of the balance which may be found available for distribution a further bonus return to contributing shareholders, the remainder to be placed to credit of the Reserve Fund.

The appointments of Mr. David Friend and

Mrs. G. Wood as Directors in the place of

Mr. Wm. Brand and Mr. A. McLeod, resigned, were confirmed.

The purchase of premises for the occupation of the Company in Shanghai recently made by the Directors was approved and their action confirmed.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman to initiate the proceedings.—*N. C. Daily News* (abridged).

Canton.

Black House, 15th Oct.

The *Kituking* has just passed up to her wharf; and I infer that she got as far as Caping-nun anchorage yesterday, or left her harbour at an early hour this morning, since the strong tide has her encountered in the river will have impeded the progress of the *Twilight*.

The following charters have been effected in Amoy during the past fortnight:

H. Printzenberg, 14,000 piculs, New-chawng to Hongkong, 30 lay days, 35 cents per picul.

Naledhu, 4,500 piculs, Chefoo, and Ningpo to Amoy, 28 lay days, \$1,625.

Iuo, 7,600 piculs, 8 to 10 months, at \$1,000 per month, (after expiration of her present monthly charter.)

Els, 8,000 piculs, to Ningpo and back to Amoy, 25 lay days, \$1,750.

Caroline, 6,000 piculs, to Newchwang and back to Amoy, 20 lay days, \$2,000.

Benedict, 6,000 piculs, to Newchwang and back to Amoy, 20 lay days, \$2,000.

—*SHANGHAI.*

(*N. C. Daily News*)

The Chinese gunboat *Hsi King* arrived this morning (14th) at the outer anchorage of Tsin-tau with H. E. Vice-Governor of this Province. After a few hours stay H. E. left again for Foochow.

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—*Settlements*.

North of the coal-mines large iron-works

will be established which alone will demand

a large quantity of coke, and from Shanghai a heavy order of 5,000 tons of coke has

been accepted. This coke is said to be very cheap and in quality equal to the best English.

October 4.

There appears to have been a rather serious outbreak of brigands in the neighbourhood of Fang-tung Fu in Machuria.

They are known as *Ki* 毛 巴, or Red-

haired rebels, and are said to be far better armed than the regular Chinese soldiers.

It is generally believed here that it is for

the late Empress' ill-wishes, the plan of

the *Hsi* Emperor, to bring the Chinese into

the country.

It is said that the *Hsi* Emperor, who

is now in command of the Chinese forces,

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Intimations.

THE CHINA REVIEW.

The widely-expedited regret at the discontinuance of *Notes & Queries on China and Japan*, induced the publishers of this journal to inaugurate a publication similar in object and style, but slightly modified in certain details.

The China Review, or Notes and Queries on the Far East, is issued at intervals of two months, each number containing about 60 octavo pages, occasionally illustrated with lithographs, photographs, woodcuts, &c., should the papers published demand, and the circulation justify, such extra matter.

The subscription is fixed at \$5.50 postage paid per annum, payable by non-residents in Hongkong half-yearly in advance.

The publication includes papers original and selected upon the Arts and Sciences, Ethnology, Folklore, Geography, History, Literature, Mythology, Manners and Customs, Natural History, Religion, &c., &c., of China, Japan, Mongolia, Tibet, the Eastern Archipelago and the "Far East" generally. A more detailed list of subjects upon which contributions are especially invited is incorporated with each number. Original contributions in Chinese, Latin, French, German, Spanish, Italian or Portuguese, are admissible. Endeavours are made to present a résumé in each number of the contents of the most recent works bearing on Chinese matters. Great attention is also paid to the Review department.

Notes and Replies are classified together as "Notes" (head references being given, when furnished, to previous Notes or Queries), are also those queries which though asking for information, furnish no or unpublished details concerning the matter in hand. It is desirable to make the Queries proper as brief and as much to the point as possible.

The *China Review* for July and August, 1876, is at hand. It says that forty-two essays were sent in to compete for the best paper on the advantages of Christianity for the development of a State. All our learned societies should subscribe to this scholarly and enterprising Review. It is a sixty-paged, bi-monthly, repository of what scholars are ascertaining about China. The lecture on Chinese Poetry in this volume is alone worth the price of the Review. Address *China Review, Hongkong—Northern Christian Advocate (U.S.A.)*.

Private Correspondent contains the following notices of the *China Review*:—"This is the title of a publication, the first number of which has lately reached us from Hongkong, where it has been set on foot as in some respects a continuation of *Notes and Queries on China and Japan*, the extinction of which useful serial a year or two ago has been much regretted in Europe as well as in China. The present publication, judging by the number now before us, is intended to occupy a position, as regards China and the neighbouring countries, somewhat similar to that which has been filled in India by the *Calcutta Review*. The great degree of attention that has been bestowed of late years upon the investigation of Chinese literature, antiquities, and social developments, to say nothing of linguistic studies, has led to the accumulation of important stores of information, rendering some such channel of publicity as is now provided extremely desirable; and contributions of much interest may fairly be looked for from the members of the foreign consular services, the Chinese Customs corps, and the missionary body, among whom a high degree of Chinese scholarship is now assiduously cultivated, and who are severally represented in the first number of the Review by papers highly creditable to their respective authors. In a paper on Dr. Legge's "She King," by the Rev. E. J. Estlin, in which the place of honor is deservedly given, an excellent summary is presented of the chronological problems and arguments involved in connection with this important work. Some translations from Chinese novels and plays are marked by both accuracy and freshness of style; and an account of the career of the Chinese post-statesman of the eleventh century, Su Tung-po, by Mr. E. C. Bowra, is not only historically valuable, but is also distinguished by its literary grace. Beside notices of new books relating to China and the East, which will be a useful feature of the Review, if carried out with punctuality and detail, we are glad to notice that "Notes" and "Queries" are destined to find a place in its pages also. It is to be hoped that this opening for contributions on Chinese subjects may evoke a similar degree of literary zeal to that which was displayed during the lifetime of its predecessor in the field, and that the *China Review* may receive the support necessary to insure its continuance. The publication is intended to appear every two months, and will form a substantial octavo magazine."

THE CHINESE MAIL.

This paper is now issued every day. The subscription is fixed at Four Dollars per annum delivered in Hongkong, or Seven Dollars Fifty Cents including postage to Coast ports.

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